

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A pants type diaper having a front body and a back body and formed by folding at the longitudinal middle point of the main body of the diaper and having an absorbent inserted between a liquid-permeable top sheet on the body side and a back sheet on the outside, the diaper further having a fastening sticker [[and characterized in that:]] wherein

the fastening sticker does not have an inseparable fixing edge portion fixed to the main body of the diaper;

an outer surface of the back body is formed with female fastening members; and

the fastening sticker is formed from a base sheet with male fastening members disposed along two edge portions of its back surface, the male fastening members selected to repeatedly releasably engage the female fastening members on the outer surface of the back body, the fastening sticker being attached to the outer surface of the back body and separable completely from the back body of the diaper.

2. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein the fastening sticker is fastened to the front body or to the back body.

3. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein the fastening sticker has a design on its surface.

4. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 3, [[characterized in that]]
wherein the design is [[aiming]] aimed at the intellectual education of an infant.

5. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 3, [[characterized in that]]
wherein the design of the fastening sticker [[is relating]] relates to the pattern of a design on the outer surface of the main body of the diaper.

6. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 3, [[characterized in that]]
wherein a part of the fastening sticker on which the design is drawn or any other portion thereof is separable along a perforated line provided along the circumference of the design such that sticker portions outside of the design circumference remain attached to the diaper.

7. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]]
wherein the base sheet of the fastening sticker is formed with a stretchable material.

8. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]]
wherein the diaper has a plurality of said fastening stickers.

9. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]]
wherein the fastening sticker is attached to or enclosed in a product package for the diaper.

10. (currently amended) A pants type diaper as set forth in claim 1, [[characterized in that]]
wherein one side of the fastening sticker is 5 cm long.

11. (previously presented) A pants type diaper, comprising:

a main body having an absorbent inserted between a liquid-permeable top sheet and a back sheet, the main body folded at its longitudinal middle point such that an outer surface of the back sheet is on the outside of the diaper, the outer surface of the back sheet formed with female fastening members; and

a fastening sticker formed from a base sheet with male fastening members disposed upon at least a portion of its back surface, the male fastening members configured to engage the female fastening members such that the fastening sticker is freely attachable to and detachable from the outer surface of the back sheet and separable completely from the main body of the diaper.

12. (previously presented) An absorbent article having a main body comprising an absorbent inserted between a liquid-permeable top sheet and a back sheet, said absorbent article comprising:

a fastening sticker with male fastening members configured to engage female fastening members formed on an outer surface of the back sheet such that the fastening sticker is freely attachable to and detachable from the outer surface of the back sheet and separable completely from the main body of the absorbent article.